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Rudy Lopez, current director of Imperial County Mental Health Services, has been appointed San Bernardino County Director of Behavioral Health by the Board of Supervisors. Lopez will begin his tenure as director on July 6.

Lopez has held the position of director of Mental Health Services in Imperial County since 1986. He previously was regional manager of San Diego County Mental Health Services, North Coastal Mental Health Center in Oceanside.

He has a B.A. in Social Welfare,

M.S.S.W. in Social Work and M.A. from, San Diego State University.

His professional membership includes the California Mental Health Directors Association (chair), Small Counties Committee, (chair), Minority Services Committee-Legislative Committee.

Others memberships are the U.S. Mexico Border Health Association, Imperial-Mexicali Valleys Bi-National Health Council, co-vice president and Mental Health/Substance Abuse Committee, chair.

Born in Los Angeles, Lopez was raised in the San Diego Area and graduated from Mount Miguel High School in Spring Valley.

His wife, Helen, is director of the Imperial County Private Industry Council. Their children are Paul and Tina, both adults, Morgan, recent high school graduate and enrolled in Cal-State, Northridge and Whitney, 10th grader.

Lopez, who is bilingual in Spanish, stated in a telephone interview, that he will focus on establishing community partnerships throughout the county and share those health resources to improve the quality of life.

"I will endeavor to manage an efficient department to provide the very best of mental health service to the people of San Bernardino County."

The Inland Empire Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Annual Installation and Awards Dinner/Dance set for July 9 at S.B. Hilton

The Inland Empire Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is inviting members, businesspersons and public to its Annual Installation and Awards Dinner/Dance to be held on July 9, 1999, at the Hilton Hotel, 285 E. Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino, with no-host at 6:00 PM.

Linda Boswell, interim president, stated the Chamber has established goals for the forthcoming year, including an economic conference in October, 1999, with other area chambers, an international market festival in the spring of 2000 and an international book fair slated for December, 2000.

"We have an outstanding board of directors who are very much involved in every aspects of our operations. Our board members have volunteered many hours to reenergize our membership to actively become involved with chamber activities," she said.

The new board of directors for the forthcoming year are Linda Boswell, president; Graciano Gomez, vice-president; Martin Valdez, treasurer; Mary Zenaski, secretary; Steve Mintz, His-

torian; Rudy Diaz, Nicole Olney, Manuel De La Torre, Ralph Hernandez, and Gracie Harmon, trustees.

This year, the Chamber will present the following awards: Latino of the Year: Father Patricio Guillen, Latina of the Year: Martha Brown and Gloria Harrison, Business of the Year: Anita's Products, Educator of the Year: Ray Abril, Jr. and San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools Herb Fischer, Distinguished Service: PACBELL and Government Service: San Bernardino County Fifth District Supervisor Jerry Eaves.

Keynote speaker is Dr. James Bautista-Hayes, University of California, Los Angeles professor and expert on immigration issues. Kirk Whisler, publisher and international book fair organizer for Edward James Olmos will speak on an international book fair for the Inland Empire.

Music by the Home Boys, dancing from 9:00 to 12:00 PM. For information and tickets call at (909) 888-2199 or (909) 381-6259.

Voter Registration Workshop

The 64th Assembly District is inviting the public to a voter registration workshop on Friday, June 25, 1999 at Tava Lanes, 3439 Arlington, Riverside, (from the 91 freeway, exit Arlington, proceed south), starting at 6:00 PM.

Antonio Gonzalez, Director, Southwest Voter Registration and Education Project, will be speaking on registration and strategies. For information, call Bob Melsh at (909) 276-0016.

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Concilio for Spanish Speaking-Centro de Niños students in Riverside are ready to face the higher world of education into kindergarten after graduating from day care. Picture above (l to r) are Hubay Haro, Christopher and Robert Garcia (twins) and Nagei Bogan.

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Regional Education Advisory Committees Meet

SAN BERNARDINO - More than 50 community representatives recently met with County Superintendent Herbert Fischer during a series of three inaugural meetings of the Superintendent's Educational Advisory Committee.

The committee is comprised of three regional committees representing the Desert/Mountain, East Valley, and West End areas of the county. Committee members include representatives of law enforcement, business, service organizations, chambers of commerce, media, locally elected officials, religious and other community leaders.

Fischer provided an overview of the county office goals to committee members during the first round of meetings and led a discussion on programs and issues facing education in the county.

The groups also focused on programs in place to address school safety and ways to enhance such programs.

"I am gratified that so many community leaders from each area of the county have come forward and made a commitment to support education for our youth," said Fischer. "I appreciate the time they give up to participate and provide input on important educational issues," he continued.

The regional committees are slated to meet about three times a year to help chart the course of the County Schools office. The regional meetings are designed to facilitate a review of educational issues impacting specific regions of the county as well as educational issues affecting the county as a whole.

LT. GOVERNOR CRUZ M. BUSTAMANTE CONDEMNS ARSON ATTACKS AGAINST THREE SACRAMENTO SYNAGOGUES

SACRAMENTO - Lt. Governor Cruz M. Bustamante today condemned the coordinated arson attacks launched against three Sacramento synagogues, and called on U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno to probe the burnings.

"Almost 60 years ago, synagogues in Europe were burned by the evil forces of hatred. Today in our State Capital, the enemies of diversity and religious freedom have struck again," Bustamante wrote in a letter to Sacramento-area Jewish leaders.

"I call on Attorney General Janet Reno and the investigators and pros-

ecutors from her church-burning task force, which investigated similar incidents in the South, to begin work in Sacramento to probe these vicious hate crimes."

In addition to calling on Reno to investigate, Bustamante said he would convene the Lieutenant Governor's Commission on Hate Crimes and look into the "causes and circumstances of this vile act."

"Hatred wins when good people do nothing," Bustamante wrote. "Terror prevails when leaders fail to take action."

Red Cross Training Course

San Bernardino, June 15, 1999 - Need a new career? The Inland Empire Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold an evening Nurse Assistant Training Course beginning Monday, July 12, 1999 from 5 to 9 p.m., at 202 W. Rialto Ave. in San Bernardino. Orientation for the class will be held July 8, 1999 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. This class ends September 7, 1999 and space is limited. For more information contact Bonnie at (909) 888-1481.

State Grant Means Over One Million Dollars a Year for Middle School Students

Prime Time Program

On Thursday June 17 Riverside Unified School District, Alvord Unified School District and the City of Riverside jointly announced their recent award of a grant provided by the State of California Department of Education. Over one million dollars will be received each year for a period of three years for the implementation of Prime Time (Partners in Riverside Investing in Middle School Education).

Prime time is an after school program geared at middle school students. All of the nine middle schools in Riverside will participate in Prime Time by providing educational and enrichment curriculum during the hours of 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. from Monday through Friday. The program will include tutoring, counseling, mentoring, and recreational opportunities for 1350 students throughout the City of Riverside.

The Prime Time Program promises to: • Provide a safe, positive and learning atmosphere for students after regular school hours. • Provide academic, personal enrichment, and development opportunities. • Provide a creative outlet for students.

The success of the Prime Time Proposal is due also to the collaboration and commitment of several nonprofit and corporate partners including; AT & T Wireless, Laidlaw Transit, Youth Service Center, Riverside County Office of Education, YWCA, YMCA, University of California, Youth Education and Motivation Program, Riverside Community College, California Baptist College, and Riverside County Office of Community Action.

What Prime Time Means to Riverside:

"This grant is just the beginning for children in Riverside as we begin providing comprehensive after school programs in our districts. Our doors will continue to be open after school

hours...the Middle School sites is just the first step towards the concept of the lighted school house."

Dr. Susan Rainey,
Superintendent, Riverside USD



Josefina Canchola, Special Assistant to the Superintendent, Riverside Unified School District, reviews the PRIME TIME Program that was awarded one million dollars each year for a period of three years to the RUSD and Alvord Unified School District. The Program will target middle schools for after-school activities.

"Prime Time will implement one of the five major goals of our Riverside Youth Action Plan, including Safe Places and Structured Activities. Our Community of Promise has again expanded its commitment to provide a Family Friendly City where children and youth live safely, grow, and succeed."

Hon. Ron Loveridge
Mayor, City of Riverside

"The Prime Time after school learning program will be an asset to our students, families, and community. We are excited about the opportunities we can now offer to fill those critical hours from the close of each school day until 6:00 p.m."

"The long-standing partnerships Alvord, The City of Riverside and Riverside Unified School District have developed and maintained for the past 13 years made this grant application successful and possible."

Dr. Damon Castillo
Superintendent, Alvord USD.

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**CELEBRATE
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The Future has arrived...and with it the joy of dreams fulfilled

The Inland Empire Hispanic News has designated Jose and Maria Guerrero and Rosalio and Aurora Castro "Parents of the Year" for their hard work, dedication and encouragement to their children to acquire an education and achieve a better life. This is their story.

By Sandra B. Martinez

José Carmen Guerrero, 63, and Rosalio Castro Diaz, 72, have made a long journey—from the farms and fields of California, where their future did not seem too promising, to a future that has arrived. They come from the Mexican states of Jalisco and Michoacan, respectively. José Carmen Guerrero and Rosalio Castro are men whose long years of exertion is being paid off through the professional careers that their children now have.

Three years ago, nuptial ties between Cristina Guerrero, 34 and Rosalio Castro Jr., 33, united both families, combining great history, strong culture, and incredible talent. Cristina Guerrero is not practicing law at the moment, but is working as a U.S. probation officer in the city of West Covina. She attended the University of California, Irvine, followed by Arizona State Law School. Rosalio Castro Jr. graduated from University of California Riverside and continued his education at University of California Hastings Law School. He is now a criminal defense partner with Magnum, Castro and Associates in San Bernardino.

José Guerrero, Cristina's father, began to work in the fields of California since the age of 20, and remained working, for the next 43 years. "I began working at the age of 10," he said with reminiscent eyes as he continued, "I came to the United States because there was great necessity for money in my home."

Like Guerrero, Rosalio Castro began to work with his father at the young age of eight, as a butcher and continued until age 22, before coming to the United States. One of the first things that my father taught me was to become a butcher, so I did it," said Castro.

Both Guerrero and Castro admit that it was hard to leave their land and family for the first time and come to a strange world without much ability to read and write. Guerrero was only able to complete first-grade, more years in school were not an option for him because his father needed another pair of hands to help provide food for the other eight in the family.

Similarly, Castro was not given the opportunity to continue his elementary education and with struggles completed third grade. Work at a young age was not the only obstacle for Castro, the Mexican government, for unknown rea-



Pictured above are the Inland Empire Hispanic News' Parents of the Year. (l to r) Jose Guerrero, Maria Guerrero Fuentes, Aurora Castro Villecaña and Rosalio Castro Diaz, parents of Cristina Guerrero and Rosalio Castro, Jr., respectively, Inland Empire attorneys, who have overcome tremendous socioeconomic challenges in achieving their career goals due to perseverance and parental support. Photo by IEHN

sons, forbade education at that time. "I was a child and did not understand why I had to be taught in different people's homes, the government did not allow us an education, and I do not know why," said Castro.

Not having an education sets limits, therefore Guerrero and Castro's only option was to trade playtime with marbles and tops, for enormous fields and a butcher knife. Their arrivals to "el norte," the north, was with a popular program, Bracero. This program gave Mexican workers the opportunity to contribute to the U.S.'s flourishing prosperity with their labor.

Guerrero's experience begins in 1955, working for five years in the Imperial Valley, earning 2.5 cents per pound of cotton that he labored. By sundown his toil had earned him an average of \$4.00. His stay here was only seasonal because he was a contracted worker with Bracero. Each season that Guerrero wanted to come to el norte, a \$150/\$200 "letter" was required to work. While he kept working, Mexicali, Baja California, became his residence, where his wife Maria Asuncion and his only child, Cristina, waited for his return.

After several jobs throughout different counties in California, the Imperial Valley became his permanent job for the last 10 years, and Calexico, also in Baja, his home. Last year, José Guerrero, now being a legal resident, decided to retire.

During those years of toiling though, favorable changes did occur for the farm workers. These changes were brought about with the help of a man who advocated for the hard working men in the fields, Cesar Chavez. In the effort to change the low paying conditions Guerrero and the rest of the farm workers had been submitted to for nine years, he united forces with Cesar Chavez, even though syndication of the union was not possible there.

Guerrero's role in the challenge was speaking to other workers and gaining their support for the change that did happen—a 7 cent raise and medical benefits were given to farm workers of the Bruce Church Co.

After accomplishing this change though, Guerrero was dismissed from Bruce Church in 1988, due to new and cheaper labor provided by newly arrived Salvadoreans and other groups of amnesty. "The manager said we were

too old, and that was it, we had to go," said Guerrero.

Rosalio Castro, like Jose Guerrero, also has a life encompassed of struggles and successes. Castro's story begins in 1948, Being the oldest sibling, the responsibility to help provide for his 8 brothers and sisters was also his.

Butchering horses in Kansas was his first job here in the U. S., then Napa Valley, California became part of his history, working in the raisin, pear, peach, and apricot fields.

After his marriage with Aurora Castro Villecaña and becoming the father of 15 born children, his motivation to work was even stronger. "My dream, as I began working, was to go back to Mexico, but I ended up staying here and bringing all my children by 1971," said Castro chuckling over it.

For the next two decades, Castro continued working in a chicken factory as a butcher in Beaumont, California, where he continues to reside. The poultry from the factory he worked for was sent to several supermarkets such as Alpha-Beta.

Forty-two years of constant work was what Castro provided for the U. S. economy. Ten years ago Castro retired and is waiting for his 73rd birthday this August and for his 50th anniversary with his wife Aurora in November. Castro is also a United States legal resident.

"I feel very proud of my daughter Cristina, I never thought she would make it this far. I always thought she was going to grow up, marry, and that was it," said Cristina's mom with tears running down her cheeks and occasionally wiping them with her hand. Adding to this, her father said, "I have to admit that if our daughter has come this far, it has been all because of my wife—basically all I did was work, she was the one who took care of Cristina."

Likewise, the Castro family also has many reasons to be joyous of The three youngest boys of the family are now professionals, Besides Rosalio Jr., Pablo Castro is also a practicing lawyer. He graduated from University of California, Los Angeles, and also continued at University of California Hastings Law School. The third of the three, Marcos, is a UCR graduate in philosophy and a current substitute teacher in Beaumont.

"We are very proud of all our children, they are very loving. Some decided to only work, others to study, but all are great in their own ways," said the Rosalio and Aurora Castro.

Sandra Martinez is a third year UCR student majoring in political science and minor in Spanish. Martinez, 20, is the youngest of three girls in her family and her career goal is to become a journalist.



Cristina Guerrero and Rosalio, Jr. Castro, Inland Empire attorneys, pictured above, on their wedding on April 13, 1996. Cristina and Rosalio are daughter and son of Jose and Maria Guerrero and Rosalio and Aurora Castro, respectively, Inland Empire Hispanic News' Parents of the Year.

They Call It The Day of the Moon

"During the night, when we're sleeping, our souls do wonderful, mysterious things with those who have gone on to the other side of the sierras. It is at that time that we make new songs and poems, and we discover who we love."

In her dramatic new work, *The Day of the Moon*, acclaimed novelist Graciela Limón spins a mesmerizing story of forbidden love. A spellbinding account that spans the twentieth century, across the Southwest from Mexico to Los Angeles, beyond life and death and over the course of four generations of the Betancourt family - the harsh Don Flavio, who believes that mere chance could win one a fortune, but only ruthlessness can hold onto it... His enigmatic and secretive sister, Brigida... His beautiful, golden-haired daughter Isadora, who refuses to submit to her father's dictates, however terrible the cost to her and everyone around her... And, the beguiling Alondra who uncovers the gripping family secret that rocks its very foundation...

Behind them all looms the haunting figure of the Indian runner Jerónimo Santiago, a Tarahumara native whose family works on Don Flavio's hacienda. The thunder of Jerónimo's bare feet pounding the baked clay earth pursues the Betancourts - even in death - to the deepest recess of family memory.

And, in the memory of the reader, the

magical tale of *The Day of the Moon* will remain long after the last page is turned.

"(A) commanding [third] novel after her praised *In Search of Bernabé*... Limón contextualizes her saga with crucially placed details of Mexican political and social history, providing a sharp critique of the Mexican class system while embedding several passionate and eloquently rendered love stories." - Publishers Weekly

GRACIELA LIMON is a professor of U.S. Hispanic Literature at Loyola Marymount University in her native city of Los Angeles. Her critically acclaimed novel, *In Search of Bernabé* won the 1994 American Book Award.

The New York Times Book Review said of the novel, "At once stark and resonant... Ms. Limón's prose is self-assured and engrossing. *In Search of Bernabé* deserves a large audience."

The novel was also a *New York Times* Book Review Notable Book of the Year and a finalist in the *Los Angeles Times* Art Seiderbaum Award for First Fiction. The novel has also been published in Spanish as *En Busca de Bernabé*.

Library Journal described her novel *The Memories of Ana Calderón* as "riveting" and her third novel, *Song of the Hummingbird*, was touted by the *Washington Post Book World* as "downright hypnotic."

Inland Area Women's Group Host Texas Congresswoman

The Inland Area United Black Women's Forum (IAUBWF) hosting a Voter Education Leadership Forum and luncheon. Keynote speaker and discussion leader will be Honorable Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee. The event is on Sunday, July 18, 1999 starting at 9:00 a.m. with brunch from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, at the San Bernardino Hilton, San Bernardino, CA. The event will serve as the inaugural activity sponsored by the IAUBWF to draw attention to the impact of the year 2000 presidential, congressional reapportionment and local elections. The Leadership Forum has been designed to stimulate voter awareness and develop strategies to increase voter registration and turn out. The newly formed organization plans to use the funds generated from the event to sponsor seminars aimed at education and to develop a comprehensive voter registration and "Get out to Vote Campaign" within the Inland Empire.

Congresswoman Jackson Lee received her undergraduate degree from Yale University, graduating with Honors in Political Science. She went on to receive her Juris Doctorate from the University of Virginia School of Law. She was an active member of the State Bar of Texas, and is one of only three African American women to have served as Director.

She has extensive experience in both corporate and private law practice and she currently serves on the prestigious Judicial Committee and is a Ranking Member of the Immigration and Claims Subcommittee. She was a member of the Aeronautics and Space Caucus and the National Technical Association (NTA) of Scientists and Engineers honored the Congresswoman as one of their 1998 TOP women in the Sciences.

The third term Texas Congresswoman has served as a member of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus, the Congressional Caucus on Women's Issues, the Congressional Black Caucus. In 1999, the Committee honored her in the International Salute to the



**Texas Congresswoman
Sheila Jackson Lee**

Life and Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as the recipient of the prestigious Dorothy I. Height Leadership Award and the Ebony magazine's annual women's issue as One of the 100 Most Fascinating Black Women of the 20th Century.

"The above, and many more, are some of the reasons we selected Jackson Lee. She is politically astute, influential, courageous and a dynamic leader. It is rare in one's lifetime to witness excellence in a young leader that is the caliber of the honorable congresswoman, from Texas," says Frances Grice, Program Chair of the event. "Our communities are in a state of emergency and it is critical that we mobilize ourselves to elect accountable and, progressive leadership."

Co-Chair and executive board member, Jean Peacock and Denise Stegall as well as other committee members, accepted the challenge to promote this educational forum because they see the importance of voter education. Denise Stegall, "I realized there was a need for this organization and our special voter education and registration project when I met a 43 year old woman who had never voted because she did not know how to vote. Nor did she understand the empowerment of one vote."

The IAUBWF is currently seeking corporate co-sponsors to be included on the program.

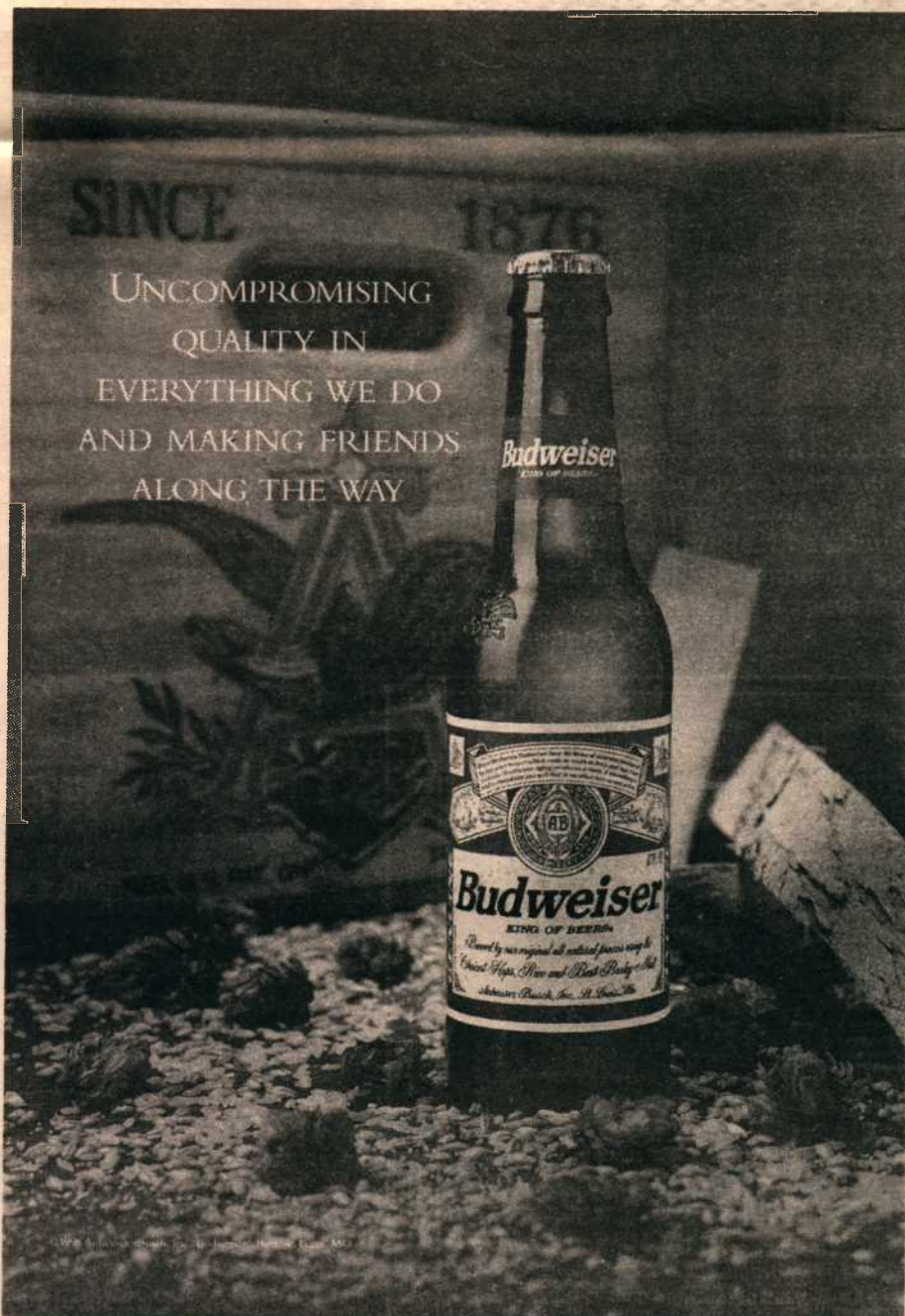
For information: (909) 383-3613.

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OF SAN BERNARDINO OFFERS SUMMER JOBS FOR YOUTHS

San Bernardino, CA — For the fifth year Community Hospital of San Bernardino will offer the Summer Youth Employment Program, a program aimed at helping young people acquire job skills and work experience. As in previous years, the hospital will be hiring six youths for part-time summer positions in the hospital. This year positions are available in Medical Staff Services, Occupational Health Services, Business Office, Administration, Food Services, and Marketing and Public Relations. Youths involved in the program

will be able to gain important skills that will help them in reaching their career goals.

This program is specially aimed at youths ages 16 to 24. Youths interested in applying for one of the positions should turn in an application by July 1st to the Human Resources Department at Community Hospital of San Bernardino, located at 1859 N. Western Avenue. For more information about the Summer Youth Employment Program call (909) 887-6333, ext. 1259.



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NEW STUDENT TRUSTEE

Juanita Trujillo-Navar on June 10 officially took office as student trustee. She now represents the combined student populations of Crafton Hills College and San Bernardino Valley College as a non-voting member of the San Bernardino Community College District board of trustees. She lives in Del Rosa.

ARROWHEAD REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER AND THE KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER SAN BERNARDINO TO SPONSOR 11TH ANNUAL KIWANIS COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR, SUNDAY, JUNE 27

WHAT: Prevention is the cornerstone of today's medicine. In the spirit of health and wellness, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center will cosponsor the 11th Annual Kiwanis Comprehensive Health Fair as part of its ongoing effort to improve the health of the community.

The health fair offers a full spectrum of helpful health information and a variety of free health screenings. The health screenings are provided by a specialized physician or nurse so participants will receive accurate and useful information about their health. All screenings are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. More than 5,000 participants are expected to be screened throughout the day. Free mammograms will be offered to the first 150 women who register for an appointment.

Some of the free screenings offered Include:

- Immunizations
- Diabetes Testing
- Dental, Vision, Hearing & Blood Pressure Check
- Information On:**
- Drug & Alcohol Abuse
- Prenatal & Maternal Health
- Mental Health
- Nutrition
- Child & Adolescent
- Health & Safety
- TB Testing
- Cholesterol Testing
- Prostate Screening
- Fingerprinting for Children
- Family Planning

- HIV/AIDS & Other Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- Tobacco Use Reduction
- Social Services
- Breast Self-Examination

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, June 27, 1999.

WHERE:

Casa Ramona, 1524 W. Seventh St. San Bernardino, CA

INFORMATION: (909) 580-6100

CONTACT: Al Arizmendez/Trace Longo, Miller/Geer & Associates (562) 467-20

Rick Danzey, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, (909) 580-6338

The Concilio for Spanish Speaking of the Inland Empire Centro de Niños, of Riverside Graduation Keynoter



Bertha Barraza, keynote speaker at the Concilio for the Spanish Speaking-Centro de Niños, recently graduated with an MSW from the University of Southern California. Barraza came to the United States unable to speak English, enrolling in 9th grade. She continued her education at East Los Angeles College, Riverside Community College and University of California, Riverside. Her educational achievement was the result of family and community support.



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When: July 1, 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.
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A partnership of five federal agencies; Arizona, California and Nevada state agencies; Native American Tribes and other interests is developing a multi-species conservation program that is intended to balance the legal use of the lower Colorado River's water resources and the conservation of threatened and

endangered species and their habitat over the next 50 years.

All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting, the purpose of which is to allow the public to propose conservation alternatives and identify issues to be addressed in the program EIS/EIR.

McNair Program Funds Cal State \$830,000

WASHINGTON - Congressman George E. Brown, Jr. (D-San Bernardino) announced that California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) has been awarded over \$830,000 through the U.S. Department of Education's Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Grant Program. The McNair program is designed to increase graduate degree attainment of students from under represented segments of society. McNair participants are from disadvantaged backgrounds and demonstrate strong academic potential. Grants are awarded to institutions of higher education for projects designed to prepare students for doctoral studies.

"CSUSB has developed a strong reputation for assisting disadvantaged

students and I am proud that they have been successful in their second McNair grant," said Brown. "It is vitally important that we encourage underprivileged students to take advantage of graduate education opportunities and help them achieve their full potential. Minority and low-income students continue to be sorely under represented in graduate education. Programs such as McNair are important in reversing this trend."

Congressman George Brown is the Ranking Democratic Member on the House Committee on Science and is a senior member of the House Committee on Agriculture. Throughout his career in Congress, Brown has consistently promoted education outreach programs for disadvantaged youth.

Fair Housing Supporters Recognized

The Fair Housing Council of San Bernardino County and the Inland Valleys Association of Realtors Equal Opportunity/Diversity Committee will host the Annual Fair Housing awards Luncheon on Thursday, June 24th at the Shandin Hills Golf Course Banquet Room in San Bernardino.

This year's honorees include Mike Teer, '99 President of the Inland Valleys Association of Realtors; Bob Bishop, Immediate Past President of the Inland Valleys Association of Realtors; Dorothy Bernardi, Century 21-First Choice Realty; Jerome Davis, Regional Vice-President of PNC Mortgage Corporation of America; Jaime Alvarez, Alvarez & Associates; and Cecilia Lowe, President of the San Bernardino Chapter of the NAACP.

The Fair Housing Council monitors

HUD Fair Housing partnership agreements with the Inland Valleys Association of Realtors and the Building Industry Association of Southern California, and provides fair housing training to all housing providers in the Inland Empire. In addition, we provide education to all real estate licensees and assist consumers who have been discriminated against when seeking housing or housing related services.

Special guests will include Tom Honore of the HUD Los Angeles Civil Rights Division, and introducing Nelson Hernandez, Senior Community Builder in the Riverside, San Bernardino area for the Hud Santa Ana Homeownership Center.

The luncheon is open to the public. The cost is \$25.00. For reservations, please call 884-8056.



LOS ANGELES - Anheuser-Busch Companies, inc. is donating \$100,000 in support of a nation wide year 2000 census campaign spearheaded by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF). *Hágase Contar! Make Yourself Count!* is a multimedia outreach campaign aimed at informing Latinos about the year 2000 census and encouraging their participation. Anheuser-Busch, maker of Budweiser, is also enlisting its breweries, wholesalers, and Sea World and Busch Gardens theme parks to help promote the program. Several other local organizations around the country are supporting MALDEF in the national campaign. (Photo: [L-R] Dr. Kenneth Prewitt, Director - U.S. Census Bureau; U.S. Representative Lucille Raybal-Allard, D-California; Susana Duarte, Anheuser-Busch; Antonia Hernandez, Executive Director, MALDEF).

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Teacher Exchange Program Endorsed

Dr. Dave Long, Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, has returned from a four day trip to Mexico during which he obtained strong support from the governor of the state of San Luis Potosi to create a new California/Mexico Teacher Program.

"The governor gave his enthusiastic support for the program," Long said. "He gave direction to the (San Luis Potosi) department of education to proceed as expeditiously as possible."

The proposed program has three facets: Teacher exchange, cultural and linguistic immersion, and teacher certification. The first two components of the program could start as early as January 2000.

Bilingual teachers from Riverside County would travel to San Luis Potosi, where they would develop and hone their language skills. In exchange, teachers from San Luis Potosi would visit Riverside County and perfect their English skills and acquire new teaching strategies.

The program would offer not only linguistic immersion, but opportunities

for cultural exchange and could be expanded to include business leaders to promote trade.

Under the third aspect of the program, the Riverside County Office of Education would work with local universities and the California Department of Education to build an accreditation program for teachers from San Luis Potosi. They would augment the supply of bilingual teachers for Riverside County schools. That portion of the program could be underway in just over a year, Long said.

Long was accompanied on the trip by Dr. William Kroonen, Superintendent/President Desert Community College District; Dr. Patricia Arlin, Dean of the College of Education, California State University, San Bernardino; and Ofelia Valdez-Yeager, Assistant to the Superintendent, Riverside County Office of Education.

The group met with Lic. Fernando Silva Nieto, Governor of San Luis Potosi, and top level officials of the San Luis Potosi department of education.

Prostate Cancer - Get the Facts

It may be uncomfortable to talk about, but prostate cancer is a disease with the potential to touch all men, their families and friends.

The facts. In this year alone, as estimated 179,300 new cases will be diagnosed in the United States.

Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer affecting men today. It is second only to skin cancer. Prostate cancer also is the second leading cause of cancer death among American men.

For African-American men, the likelihood of being diagnosed with prostate cancer is twice as high as that of other American men. In fact, African-American men have the highest incidence rate of prostate cancer in the world.

More than 75 percent of all prostate cancers are diagnosed in men over age 65 and the chance of having prostate cancer increases rapidly after age 50. Yet...

There is hope. The survival rate of prostate cancer has increased to 93 from 67 percent during the past 20 years. Sixty percent of all prostate cancers are found when they appear to still be confined to the prostate.

There is progress. Prostate cancer is treatable. When necessary, surgical procedures, radiation therapy and hormone therapy has increased the survival rates of prostate cancer patients. Fortunately, most cases are not life threatening and may not even warrant active treatment, called "watchful waiting."

There are answers. When diagnosed with prostate cancer, many men tend to act quickly in order to "get rid" of the cancer. But, prostate cancer generally

grows slowly over many years, so prostate cancer patients can take time to learn the pros and cons of treatment options.

Recommendations. Though controversy exists about prostate cancer testing and treatment, the American Cancer Society recommends that men discuss with their doctors the need for routine annual prostate cancer testing after age 50. When appropriate, the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) and digital rectal exams DRE tests before they 50 years old.

In addition to its efforts to increase awareness of prostate cancer and provide information and resources to those touched by prostate cancer, the American Cancer Society awarded approximately \$11 million in grants from 1997-1998 for prostate cancer research.

For more information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, or visit www.cancer.org.

Clase Para La Destreza De Ser Buenos Padres

Riverside - The YWCA of Riverside is proud to announce a series of classes for Spanish speaking parents. This class covers issues and concerns of all parents, single or married. Learn about the different parenting techniques and skills to use. Discuss issues with other Spanish speaking parents on being a parent in the 90's. Classes are \$15/single and \$20/couple. Classes begin July 9th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the YWCA, 8172 Magnolia Avenue. There are six classes to complete, and a certificate of completion is issued at the last class. Registration (909) 687-9922.

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FINE ARTS GRANTS FOR SAN BERNARDINO

The City of San Bernardino fine arts grants applications for all fine arts nonprofit organizations in the City of San Bernardino will be available at the mayor's office, 6th floor of City Hall at 300 North D Street, on June 29 1999 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Notice is hereby given that proposals will be accepted by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, 21865 E. Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 for the following:

Bid No.	Title	Bidder's Conference	Closing Date	Contact
RFP #9596-23	Rule 2202 On Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Air Quality Investment Program	7/8/99 9:00a.m. - 12:00 pm	8/9/99 5:00 p.m.	Connie Day (909)396-3055
RFP #9899-38	Telecommunication Services	MANDATORY 6/30/99 10:00 am	8/13/99 1:00 pm	Mark Henninger (909)396-2986
RFP #9899-39	Pre-qualify Vendors for Outside Litigation Counsel	NONE	7/15/99 5:00 p.m.	Kurt R. Wiese (909)396-3460
RFP #9899-40	Source Test and Develop Improved Emission Factors for Cadmium From Metal Finishing Processes	MANDATORY 6/24/99 9:00 am	7/13/99 1:00 p.m.	Wayne Barcikowski (909)396-3077
RFP #9899-41	Development of Refined Emission Inventory and Risk Reduction Guidelines for Motion Picture Film Processing	MANDATORY 6/24/99 9:00 a.m.	7/30/99 1:00 pm	Tracy A. Goss, P.E. (909)396-3106
RFP #9899-42	Development of Improved Emission Inventory for Rubber Product Makers and Processors	MANDATORY 6/24/99 9:00 a.m.	7/13/99 1:00 pm	Andrew Lee (909)396-2643
RFP #9899-43	Development of Emission Inventory for Metal Welding, Cutting and Spraying Operations	MANDATORY 6/24/99 9:00 a.m.	7/13/99 1:00 p.m.	Wayne Barcikowski (909) 396-3077
RFP #9899-44	Development of Improved Emission Inventory for Furniture Stripping and Other Uses of Methylene Chloride	MANDATORY 6/24/99 9:00 a.m.	7/13/99 1:00 pm	Victoria Moaveni (909) 396-2455
RFQ #2117	Videoteleconference Equipment and Upgrades	NONE	6/28/99 10:00am	Ray Goldsworthy (909) 396-3714

PERSONS ATTENDING THE BIDDERS' CONFERENCE SHOULD CONFIRM THEIR ATTENDANCE BY CALLING THE CONTACT PERSON. BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FROM ANYONE NOT ATTENDING THE MANDATORY BIDDERS' CONFERENCE.

The RFPs/RFQs may be obtained through the internet at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/rfp/>

If you have questions or would like a copy of the RFPs/RFQs mailed to you, telephone the contact person.

The AQMD hereby notifies all bidders in regard to this advertisement, that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to bid responses to this invitation. Moreover, the AQMD will not discriminate against bidders on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, marital status, national origin, age, veterans status or handicap. The AQMD also encourages joint ventures and subcontracting with MBE/WBE/DVBEs.

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Health Fair

On Saturday, June 26, 1999 a health fair will be held at the Community Settlement Association, 4366 Bermuda Ave. in Riverside. We invite you and your family to spend the day from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm learning about health related topics. We will have FREE Diabetes and blood pressure testing, FREE HIV/AIDS testing, and entertainment from Friday Night Live. There will also be FREE drawings for bicycle helmets, interactive displays and children's activities.

This event is being sponsored by Community Settlement Association, Riverside County Department of Public Health HIV/AIDS Program, and the Riverside County Substance Abuse Program. For more information, please call (909) 686-6266.

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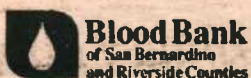
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The Concilio for Spanish Speaking of the Inland Empire- Centro de Niños, of Riverside

The Concilio for Spanish Speaking of the Inland Empire- Centro de Niños, a child care facility in Riverside, graduated 41 young students at its annual ceremonies attended by proud parents and adults on Thursday, June 17.

Bertha Barraza, Banning School District-mentor coordinator, was keynote speaker. Addressing the adults and specifically the day care graduates, Barraza stated that this was also a special day for her, due to recently receiving her MSW from the University of Southern California.

Speaking to the parents, she stressed the importance of their children at this early stage in their lives. "Allow them



The graduating class at the Concilio for Spanish Speaking- Centro de Niños Concillio in Riverside stand to receive applause from parents and guests at the annual graduation ceremonies. The 41 graduates are prepared to venture into the world of kindergarten.

Photo by IEHN

to explore, question and express themselves. If your child says they want to be a doctor, reinforce them, give them confidence about their potential.

"Let us be us who influence our children, so that they don't go out search-

ing for other individuals who may influence them in other than our own values," she said.

At the end of the graduation ceremonies, parents and students enjoyed refreshments and picture taking.

IVDA/Demolition of 31 Buildings SBIATC

DOCUMENT 00030 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The work to be performed by the two (2) separate bidders who are awarded a Contract by the Inland Valley Development Agency (herein the "Owner") includes the furnishing of all labor, materials, and equipment for abatement of hazardous materials, demolition of 31 buildings, removal of utilities and site improvements, and grading of areas affected by demolition work.

2. PROJECT CONTRACT ARRANGEMENT: PACKAGE 1 CONTRACT AND PACKAGE 2 CONTRACT

The work described above is divided into two separate contracts referred to herein as the "Package 1 Contract" and the "Package 2 Contract". The Contractor and its listed Subcontractors who are awarded the Package 1 Contract will be precluded from submitting a bid on the Package 2 Contract. Staggered bid due dates have been established for the Package 1 Contract and the Package 2 Contract to allow bidders who are unsuccessful in bidding on the Package 1 Contract an opportunity to bid on the Package 2 Contract. In addition, a separate contract will be awarded for the crushing of concrete and asphalt materials generated from the work performed under the Package 1 contract and the Package 2 Contract. No preclusion are applicable to the separate crushing contract. A minimum of 14 buildings will be awarded for each package contract provided herein. However, the Owner reserves the right to withdraw this advertisement for bids and/or not award a contract for any part of the work in its sole and absolute discretion.

3. PREBID CONFERENCE AND SITE WALK

A mandatory Pre-bid Conference and Bid Walk will be conducted for the Package 1 Contract and the Package 2 Contract on July 6 and 7, 1999. Bidders will meet for the Pre-Bid Conference in the San Bernardino International Airport Terminal Building, 105 North Leland Norton Way. Parking is available on the west side of the terminal. The meeting will start at 8:30 AM. All bidders will be required to sign the attendance log at the beginning and end of the first day of walks, and also sign a release of liability in favor of the Owner during the inspection is a condition to walk the site and through the buildings.

4. BID OPENING

Sealed bids for the Package 1 Contract will be accepted by the Owner on or before 2:00 PM (Local Time) on July 22, 1999. Sealed bids for the Package 2 Contract will be accepted on or before 2:00 PM (Local Time) on August 5, 1999. Bids received after these dates and times will be returned to the bidder unopened.

Sealed Bids (1 original and two copies) shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board, Inland Valley Development Agency, 294 South Leland Way, Suite #1, San Bernardino, CA 92408. Each bid must be submitted on the bid forms provided in the Contract Documents. All bids received will be publicly opened and read approximately 20 minutes after the bid closing time at the San Bernardino Airport Terminal Building, 105 North Leland Norton Way. An award of the contracts requires a valid California contractor's A, B, or C21 license (Asbestos abatement will require an ASB license designation). The prime contractor shall perform with his/her own organization, contract work amounting to at least 35 percent of the contract work under the Package 1 Contract or Package 2 Contract, as applicable.

5. PROCUREMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

Bidding Documents for this project will be available beginning on June 22, 1999 and may be purchased from Riverside Blueprint Company, 200 North "D" Street, San Bernardino, California, 92401, telephone 909-381-6535. The cost for each set is \$200.00 made payable to the IVDA which is not a deposit and is non-refundable. No partial sets will be issued. A set of plans and specifications will also be available for viewing only at the F.W. Dodge Planroom in San Bernardino, the San Bernardino County Contract Compliance Office, the Small Business Development Center, and the Inland Empire Business Incubator and IVDA Office.

6. BONDS

Each bid must be accompanied by security in the form of a bid bond issued by a corporate surety, a certified check, or cashier's check payable to the Owner, or cash for an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the aggregate sum of the bid for the Package 1 Contract and the Package 2 Contract work, as applicable.

The successful bidder shall be required to execute a Material and Labor Payment Bond and Performance Bond, issued by a corporate surety, acceptable to the IVDA, each for not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price for the Package 1 Contract and the Package 2 Contract work, as applicable.

7. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

No bidder may withdraw its bid for sixty (60) calendar days after the date set for opening thereof, and bids shall be subject to acceptance by the Owner during this period.

8. MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

The Owner shall administer and enforce a policy for establishing goals for participation of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) for the performance of the work under the Package 1 Contract and the Package 2 Contract in accordance with the program established by Resolution No. 95-409 of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of San Bernardino, on 11-20-95.

Each bidder's outreach efforts (good faith efforts) must reach out to MBEs, WBEs and all other business enterprises. Bidders are expected to produce a level of participation by interested subcontractors of 15% MBE, and 5% WBE for both the Package 1 Contract work and the Package 2 Contract work.

Bidders shall make every reasonable effort to solicit bids from MBE/WBE in accordance with the policy of the City of San Bernardino contained in City Resolution No. 95-409 and submit the minority and women owned business participation form to the Owner with their sealed bid.

A justification shall be provided by the Owner to support the rejection of any bid from a minority or women's business enterprise, certified by Caltrans.

9. LABOR

All construction laborers and mechanics engaged in the work on these projects shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the United States Department of Labor prevailing wage rates and the Davis-Bacon Act.

6/22/99, 6/29/99

Notice Given By
Penny Chua
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END OF DOCUMENT 00300